

COMMON COUNCIL
COUNCIL CHAMBERS
NOVEMBER 15, 2005

- I. Mayor Fred Armstrong called a regular meeting of the City Common Council to order at approximately 7:10 P.M. in the City Council Chambers.
 - A. Opening Prayer was given by David Florine of St. Peter's Lutheran Church.
 - B. Pledge – Mayor Fred Armstrong led the Pledge of Allegiance.
 - C. Roll Call: Present: Jesse Brand, Ann DeVore, George Dutro, Robert Kittle, Martha Myers, August Tindell.
 - D. Acceptance of Minutes from the previous meeting: Martha Myers moved to approve the minutes from the last regularly scheduled meeting of November 1, 2005. August Tindell seconded the motion. Motion passed by a vote of 6 to 0.
- II. Unfinished Business Requiring Council Action

None
- III. New Business Requiring Council Action
 - A. Reading of a Resolution entitled “RESOLUTION NO. 42, 2005, A RESOLUTION DECLARING A CERTAIN AREA WITHIN THE CITY OF COLUMBUS AN ECONOMIC REVITALIZATION AREA AND QUALIFYING CERTAIN REAL PROPERTY AND IMPROVEMENTS FOR PROPERTY TAX ABATEMENT AND SETTING THE TIME AND PLACE FOR A PUBLIC HEARING THEREON CUMMINS-SCANIA XPI MANUFACTURING, L.L.C.” (Cummins-Scania) Jim Clouse, Special Projects Director for Community Development presented this Resolution. Jim Clouse indicated this Resolution was necessary in order to establish the Economic Revitalization Area. This property is located at 1460 N. National Road, Columbus, Indiana. Jim Clouse had three (3) representatives with him from Cummins-Scania XPI Manufacturing, LLC. There was a question regarding the lot number. Exhibit “A” was reviewed and determined that the Resolution should specify the property as Lot 2 B. George Dutro made a motion to amend the Resolution identifying the property in question as Lot 2 B. Jesse Brand seconded the motion. The motion passed by a vote of 6 to 0. Jesse Brand moved to approve the Resolution. Ann DeVore seconded the motion. The motion passed by a vote of 6 to 0.
 - B. First Reading of an Ordinance entitled ‘ORDINANCE NO._____, 2005, AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE ZONING MAP, A PART OF TITLE 17 (THE ZONING ORDINANCE) OF THE CODE OF LAWS OF COLUMBUS, INDIANA, RE-ZONING THE SUBJECT PROPERTY FROM “B-5” (GENERAL BUSINESS) to “SU-1 (SPECIAL USE-OF-CHURCHES)” (East Columbus Separate Baptist) Jeff Bergman, Planning Director, presented this Ordinance. He indicated the purpose for this re-zoning was to bring three (3) church

lots into the same zoning district and constructing a fellowship hall and parking lot. The Plan Commission gave a favorable recommendation to the City Council. Discussion followed. August Tindell moved to place in proper channels. Jesse Brand seconded the motion. The motion passed by a vote of 6 to 0.

- C. First reading of an Ordinance entitled “ORDINANCE NO. 29, 2005, AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE 2005 SALARY ORDINANCE TO INCREASE THE OVERTIME COMPENSATION LIMITS FOR THE CITY OF COLUMBUS POLICE DEPARTMENT.” Police Chief Bill Martin presented this Ordinance. He asked the Council to amend the 2005 Salary Ordinance. He asked it be amended to add \$60,000 to the overtime limit for the city police budget and that this request did not include any additional tax dollars. He said the extra money in the police budget under salaries was due to the department having been understaffed during the year 2005. Discussion followed. George Dutro made a motion to suspend the rules and pass on the first reading. Martha Myers seconded the motion. The motion passed by a vote of 6 to 0. Martha Myers moved to approve the Ordinance. Robert Kittle seconded the motion. The motion passed by a vote of 6 to 0.
- D. This was item E. on the original agenda. This was moved to Item D. Submittal of the 2006 Utilities Service Board Budget (Keith Reeves). Keith Reeves, Director of Utilities presented the 2006 Utilities Budget. He also reported to the Council the need for a large capital project in the future and discussed rate increases. Discussion followed.
- E. First reading of an Ordinance entitled “ORDINANCE NO. 30, 2005, AN ORDINANCE OF THE COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COLUMBUS, INDIANA, APPROVING OF THE ISSUANCE OF SPECIAL TAXING DISTRICT BONDS OF THE PARK DISTRICT OF THE CITY OF COLUMBUS, INDIANA” Due to a storm in the area, this item was read and presented by conference call. Mike Claytor of Crowe Chizek along with Ted Espring, attorney for Baker & Daniels, and Matt Hall, with National City Bank, were part of the conference call. Mike Claytor indicated it would be cheaper to refinance the Park Bond before the end of the year. Discussion followed concerning the savings the city would realize. It was determined the city should realize net savings in the range of \$50,000 to \$85,000. Much discussion followed. Jesse Brand moved to suspend the rules and pass on first reading. Ann DeVore seconded the motion. The motion passed by a vote of 6 to 0. Jesse Brand moved to amend the Ordinance to read that under 1. **the Refunded Bond equals or exceeds two and one-half (2.5%) of the Refunded Bonds.** Robert Kittle seconded this motion. The motion to amend the Ordinance passed by a vote of 6 to 0. Robert Kittle made a motion to approve the Amended Ordinance. Jesse Brand seconded the motion. The motion passed by a vote of 6 to 0.

IV. Other Business

- A. Standing Committee and Liaison Reports.
- B. Next regular scheduled meeting is December 13, 2005.
- C. Adjournment – Martha Myers moved to adjourn the meeting. Robert Kittle seconded the motion. The motion passed by a vote of 6 to 0. The meeting adjourned at approximately 8:47 P.M.

Presiding Officer of the Common Council

Attest:

Columbus City Clerk Treasurer